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Dear ENERGY STAR® Computer Monitor Partners and Other Interested Parties:

Following the July 22, 2003 Computer Monitor Partner Meeting, the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has continued the development of a new Version 4.0 specification for ENERGY STAR qualified computer monitors. This Draft 2.5 document outlines the proposed revised energy-efficiency criteria that manufacturers must meet for their products to earn the ENERGY STAR, and is considered to be a Final Draft. A detailed summary of changes is enclosed to aid in the comparison of Draft 2.5 with the Draft 2 (Version 4.0) specification, released in July 2003.

The proposed On, Sleep, and Off Mode requirements provided in Draft 2.5 are based on an expanded data-set. Following the July 22, 2003 Computer Monitor Partner Meeting, several manufacturers voluntarily submitted additional test data to EPA. The inclusion of these new data points has made EPA's data-set more robust and representative of the market. Additionally, Draft 2.5 reflects many of the comments made by stakeholders during the July 22, 2003 meeting, as well as subsequent comments received in writing. (Please see the summary of changes document for further details.)

**All interested parties will have until November 14, 2003 to submit written comments on the Draft 2.5 specification.** Comments received by this date will be considered for the Final Version 4.0 specification, which will be issued shortly after this deadline and before the end of the calendar year. EPA will carefully review and consider all comments, make any appropriate changes, and distribute the Final Version 4.0 specification for ENERGY STAR qualified computer monitors in December 2003. Formal announcement of the revised specification will be made after the Technical Committee meeting between EPA and the European Commission.

As always, EPA appreciates your involvement in the specification revision process. Please direct any comments and/or questions to me at [Hershberg.Craig@epa.gov](mailto:Hershberg.Craig@epa.gov). I can also be reached by phone at 202-343-9120. (Please note that my phone number changed as of October 6, 2003.) Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Craig Hershberg".

Craig Hershberg, Product Manager  
ENERGY STAR for Office Equipment and Consumer Electronics

Attachments:

Draft 2.5 (Version 4.0) ENERGY STAR Computer Monitor Specification  
Draft 2.5 (Version 4.0) ENERGY STAR Computer Monitor Specification: Summary of Changes  
ENERGY STAR Tier 1 CRT Monitor Data: Draft 2.5 (Version 4.0) Specification  
ENERGY STAR Tier 1 LCD Monitor Data: Draft 2.5 (Version 4.0) Specification  
ENERGY STAR Tier 2 Monitor Data: Draft 2.5 (Version 4.0) Specification